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Dear Sir:

The applicants of the above-identified patent application hereby assert their entitlement to small entity status as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c)(1). Therefore, please make the corresponding change in the application.

The applicants hereby request a refund of that portion of the Issue Fee paid in excess of that required in the above-noted patent application.

This request for a refund of the excess amount is filed within three months of the date of the timely payment of the full fee. This three month period expires on February 28, 2007.

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